

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the “...RELATED APPLICATION” section beginning at page 2, line 3, with the following amended section:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

--This application is a DIVISIONAL application of U.S. Application 10/176,083, filed June 22, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,681,422 B2, which claims the benefit of U.S. Utility Application Serial No. 10/115,896, now U.S. Patent No. 6,631,528 B2, filed on April 5, 2002, which claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/356,773, filed February 15, 2002. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 15, with the following amended paragraph:

--Several straps **88** have one end attached to the sheet **82** and are wrapped around beneath the mattress or crib frame, having a second end with corresponding sections of hook and loop material **86** which are releasably attachable to the aforementioned hook and loop material **84** on the sheet **82**. Hook and loop material is the preferred method of strap attachment but any suitable method including but not limited to, buttons, snaps and buckles may also be used. The straps **88** themselves preferably have elastic properties, but any suitable strap may be used. Each of the straps **88** is attached to or threaded through a spacer **90**. The spacer **90** is a flat, generally rectangular sheet which, having a plurality of apertures

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therein, or any suitable fastener for attachment thereto. The spacer 90 serves to hold the straps and keep the straps 88 properly positioned and oriented. In use, the spacer will be disposed beneath the mattress. The fifth embodiment 80 also has two sets of corresponding fasteners 91, 92. Fasteners 91 are designed to attach to opposing fasteners 92 and in so doing reduce the overall size of the sheet 82 and thereby prepare the apparatus for smaller size bedding materials.--

Please replace the paragraph at page 15, line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

--It is well within the abilities of one skilled in the art to alter the shape and/or size of the fitted sheet and blanket to fit a variety of different infant sleeping devices such as cribs, bassinets, incubators and playpens. The sheet and the blanket may be made from any suitable material, including cotton, wool, polyester, silk, Lycra TM and nylon.--

Please replace the "ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE" section on page 21 with the following amended section: